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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1, 4, and 6 as follows. Please add new Claim 21.

 (Currently Amended) A <u>bundle of flattened</u> foil bag <u>bags having a generally</u> uniform thickness and configured to be supported on a pin support of a foil bag opening machine, each foil bag comprising:

a front portion having an upper edge:

a rear portion;

flattened and optionally side folded foil bag portions;

a sealed bottom;

a number of punched openings plurality of first incisions extending entirely through the foil bag, the first incisions having a closed shape in the vicinity of the upper edges of the foil bag to be unfolded, whereby a bundle of foil bags are configured to be supported by a foil bag opening machine having a pin support; and one or more openings being located adjacent to the upper edge and having a diameter which is substantially equal to or even greater than the external pin diameter a cross-sectional shape of the pin support; and

wherein a plurality of second incisions in the front flat foil beg portion has an ineision and extending between the upper edge and the plurality of first incisions, the opening, wherein, the incision is extending from the upper edge to the said opening, in such a way that the second incisions having an essentially straight shape continuous incision is provided between the opening and the upper edge.

- (Canceled).
- (Canceled).
- (Currently amended) A foil-bag The bundle according to Claim 1, wherein the rearward flat foil-bag second incisions do not extend into the rear portion has no incisions extending from the upper-edge to the opening.
 - (Canceled).
- 6. (Currently amended) A foil bag <u>The bundle according to claim 1, wherein the further comprising</u> front side folds portions having an upper edge; and a plurality of third incisions extending between the upper edge of the front side portions and the plurality of first incisions have openings and incisions similar to the front flat foil bag portion.

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- 7. (Withdrawn)
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- 15. (Withdrawn)
- 16. 20. (Canceled).
- 21. (New) The bundle according to Claim 6 further comprising rear side portions, wherein the second incisions do not extend into the rear side portions.